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SUBJECT: UN COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24) AND PUERTO RICO: STATE OF PLAY

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1. C-24 CHAIRMAN SALIM (TANZANIA) INFORMED GOV SCRANTON ON

AUG 31 THAT, AT A MEETING ON AUG 31, THE C-24 BUREAU DECIDED TO CONSIDER PUERTO RICO ON THURSDAY, SEP 2., FRIDAY SEP 3 AND TUESDAY, SEP 7.

2. NORWEGIAN MISSION BERGH JOHANSEN LATER INFORMED US THAT THE C-24 BUREAU DECIDED TO TAKE UP PUERTO RICO PRIOR TO THE OTHER ITEMS LEFT ON ITS AGENDA (TIMOR, SAHARA, DJIBOUTI, FALKLANDS) BECAUSE CUBAN PERM REP ALARCON IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE NEW YORK IN THE NEAR FUTURE. HE SAID THAT DEPUTY PERM REP VRAALSEN HAS SCHEDULED A MEETING WITH ALARCON FOR SEP 1 TO DISCUSS PUERTO RICO AND ASKED TO MEET WITH US PRIOR TO HIS MEETING WITH ALARCON. GOV SCRANTON WILL MEET WITH THE NORWEGIANS AT 10:00 AM, SEP 1.

3. BERGH JOHANSEN SAID HE BELIEVES THAT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING PETITIONERS WILL BE GRANTED PERMISSION TO ADDRESS THE C-24: PUERTO RICAN SOCIALIST PARTY, PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE PARTY, PUERTO RICAN COMMUNIST PARTY, PUERTO RICAN BAR ASSOCIATION AND MOVIMIENTO ESTADIDAD REPUBLICA. HE GUESSES THAT A RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO WILL APPEAR ON TUESDAY, SEP 7. (FYI: MON, SEP 6 IS A UN HOLIDAY AND NO MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR THAT DAY.)

4. BERGH JOHANSEN SAID THAT NO FIRM DECISION HAS YET BEEN TAKEN ON HOW TO DEAL WITH THE SAHARA, DJIBOUTI OR THE FALKLAND ISLANDS. HE SAID THAT SALIM HOPES TO COMPLETE THE COMMITTEE'S WORK BY SEP 15; BERGH JOHANSEN DOUBTS THAT WILL BE POSSIBLE.
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